



INDIANA COMMISSION
HIGHER *for* EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

To: Those Concerned
From: Stan Jones
Date: December 2, 2005
Subject: Commission Meeting

Enclosed are agenda materials for the December Commission meeting. The meeting schedule is as follows:

Thursday, December 8, 2005

- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.** **Reception**, for Commission members and staff, and invited guests, Meridian Hills Country Club, 7099 Spring Mill Road, Indianapolis, Indiana
- * 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.** **Dinner Briefing** (*public meeting*), for Commission members and staff, and invited guests, Meridian Hills Country Club, 7099 Spring Mill Road, Indianapolis, Indiana

Friday, December 9, 2005

- * 8:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.** **Breakfast Briefing** (*public meeting*), University Place Hotel, Purdue Room, 2nd floor, IUPUI Campus, 850 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis, Indiana
- * 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** **Commission Meeting** (*public meeting*), University Place Conference Center, Room 137, IUPUI Campus, 850 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis, Indiana

If you have questions, suggestions, or need a reasonable accommodation, please contact this office.

* The Commission for Higher Education abides by the Indiana Open Door Law (Indiana Code 5-14-1.5). All business meetings are open to the public. (Meals will not be provided.)

A G E N D A

Commission for Higher Education

COMMISSION MEETING

University Place Conference Center

Room 137, IUPUI Campus
850 W. Michigan St.
Indianapolis, IN 46202
Phone: 317-274-3876
Fax: 317-274-3878

Friday, December 9, 2005

- I. CALL TO ORDER -- 9:30 a.m.**
- II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**
- III. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**
- IV. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER COMMISSION MEETING 1**
- V. DECISION ITEMS**
 - A. Academic Degree Programs**
 - 1. Master of Arts in Political Science To Be Offered by Indiana University Indianapolis at Its IUPUI Campus..... 15
 - 2. Doctor of Nursing Practice To Be Offered by Purdue University West Lafayette in West Lafayette 19
 - 3. Academic Degree Programs on Which Staff Propose Expedited Action..... 25
 - Associate of Applied Science and Associate of Science in Paralegal Studies To Be Offered by Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana-South Bend in South Bend
 - Technical Certificate and Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assisting To Be Offered by Ivy Tech Community College-South Bend in Warsaw

B.	Construction of Discover Learning Center at Purdue University West Lafayette.....	29
C.	2005 Improving Teacher Quality Partnership Program Funding Recommendations.....	37
D.	Calendar of Upcoming Meetings of the Commission	43
VI.	DISCUSSION ITEM	
A.	Achievement Gaps in Indiana	45
B.	Critical Postsecondary Education Issues in Indiana.....	75
VII.	INFORMATION ITEMS	
A.	Status of Active Requests for New Academic Degree Programs.....	89
B.	Capital Improvement Projects on Which Staff Have Acted.....	91
C.	Capital Improvement Projects Awaiting Action	93
VIII.	NEW BUSINESS	
IX.	OLD BUSINESS	
X.	ADJOURNMENT -- Approximately 12:00 p.m.	

The next meeting of the Commission will be on January 13, 2006, in Indianapolis